



RICK SCOTT
GOVERNOR

"CLICK IT OR TICKET" AWARENESS

WHEREAS, the safety and security of the citizens of Florida and surrounding areas are vitally important; and

WHEREAS, a large percentage of our citizens regularly drive or ride in motor vehicles on our roadways; and

WHEREAS, during 2010, Florida experienced 1,450 traffic deaths of drivers and passengers in seat belt equipped vehicles, and tragically 54 percent, or 777, of people killed were not wearing seatbelts; and

WHEREAS, regular seat belt use is the single most effective way to protect people and reduce fatalities in motor vehicle crashes; and

WHEREAS, the use of seat belts is supported by the laws of Florida; and

WHEREAS, May 20 through June 2, 2013, has been selected as the national "Click It or Ticket" mobilization enforcement period; and

WHEREAS, across the country law enforcement officers will actively be participating in the mobilization to ensure all motor vehicle occupants are buckled up day and night to reduce the risk of injury and death caused in traffic crashes; and

WHEREAS, increased enforcement of seatbelt laws coupled with publicity has proven to be an effective method to increase seat belt use rates and decrease fatal crashes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all encouraging *"Click It or Ticket" Awareness* between May 20 and June 2, 2013, and urge all citizens to always wear seat belts when driving or riding on our roadways.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 8th day of May, in the year two thousand thirteen.

A blue ink signature of Rick Scott, written in a cursive style.

Governor